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The Democrat Wishes All a Happy and Prosperous New Year

SHORT LOCAL STORIES

Being a Lot of Interesting Item You Probably Did Not Know.

Miss Lizzie Gottman was a Quincy visitor Tuesday.

M. A. Hornback and daughter, Mary Lucy, were Hannibal visitors Tuesday.

Miss Emelie Koblack went to St. Louis Friday for a weeks visit with her sister.

Miss Delola Jones went to Hannibal Monday for several days visit with relatives.

Harry Norman, of St. Louis spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Mary Norman.

C. H. Philpott and wife, of Kansas City have been visiting her mother Mrs. Dee Gentry.

W. H. Robey and wife, of Perry spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Lucy Robey.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGlasson, of Quincy have been guest of his sister Mrs. Anna Lee.

Dr. E. J. Hume, wife and son, of White Hall, Ill., spent Christmas with relatives here.

Miss Manona Sherman went to Hannibal Monday for a weeks visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ruby Griffith, of Bowling Green, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Griffith from Wednesday to Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Earhart, of Woodland, who were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Willis returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Paulsen and Miss Babe Huebsch, were the guests of their brother Vincent Huebsch and wife at Hannibal Tuesday.

R. F. Armstrong and family, of Filley, Neb., Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McMurray, of Curron, Ill., have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shank.

John Jayne and family, William Shannon and wife, Harold Jayne and wife, of Hannibal spent Saturday and Sunday with A. S. Jayne and wife.

Mrs. George Sidner and daughter, Virginia, of Hannibal, who were the guests of relatives and friends here several days last week returned home Monday.

L. J. Stockwell, of East St. Louis, Ill., spent Saturday and Sunday with his family who have been visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Sharp, for several weeks.

Those wishing for a white Christmas must have been pleased with the heavy snow fall the 24th and they say the thermometer reached zero Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Loy Greene and Mr. and Mrs. Cess Greene, of Shelby, were in this city Tuesday enroute to Stoutsville for several days visit with their sister Mrs. J. Leslie Pike.

Miss Mollie Geotze who is at the head of the millinery department of a large establishment in Houston, Texas is here and will remain till time to do the buying for next season.

The publisher of the Democrat needs the money due him in order to be able to meet his obligations. It takes money and lots of it to pay printers, rent, for stock, light, fuel, etc. If you owe pay up.

Mrs. Emery went to Ely Monday for a weeks stay.

Mrs. J. S. Starrett and Mrs. O. R. Emerson were Hannibal visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Wm. Todd, of Woodland, came Monday to visit relatives in this city.

Alvin Gones, of Quincy, came Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends.

The Christmas business at the Monroe City postoffice was much larger than last year.

Mrs. Ella Gosney and sister, Mrs. Rathburn spent Christmas with friends near Leonard.

Miss Bernice Bixler who spent Christmas with homefolks in this city returned to Quincy Monday.

Each one of us should do our part toward making 1916 the best year in the history of Monroe City.

Mrs. J. Simms and daughter, of Welch Oklahoma came Thursday to visit Mrs. Susan Simms and family.

Miss Allie Smith, went to Philadelphia Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with her nephew Albert Cort.

M. L. Penn and family, of Fayette, are the guests of relatives and friends in this city. They spent the day in Palmyra Monday.

Mrs. Will Painter, of Canada is here for a two weeks visit with her mother, Mrs. K. W. VanMarter and other relatives and friends.

Miss Myrtle Threlkeld who teaches the Yager school went to Shelby Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother.

Mrs. Virgie Gones and two sons, Russel and John, came Thursday to spend the holidays with her mother Mrs. Rose McAllister and other relatives.

Miss Gladys Gough who is attending school here went to her home in Lakenan Friday to spend the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Will Gough.

Several members of Monroe City Lodge of Odd Fellows attended the dedication of Hannibal Odd Fellows new building Tuesday. They report a pleasant occasion.

Miss Mabel Hurley, of Hannibal attended the dance here Saturday night and remained until Sunday evening. Miss Bess Mudd accompanied her home for a few days visit.

Bert Lange and family of Breckenridge spent Christmas with her parents, J. C. Ensor and wife. Mr. Lange returned home Sunday and Mrs. Lange and children returned Tuesday.

Prof. M. B. Vaughn, of Montgomery City spent part of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Vaughn. He is one of Monroe's best young men and is in the front ranks as an educator.

Eldred King and wife, of Trinidad, Colo., are spending six weeks with relatives in Missouri. They left Tuesday for a visit in Shelby County. Mrs. King was formerly Miss Frankie Lou Elliott.

The postoffice department regulation is that in case a renter of a postoffice box fails to pay on or before the last day of the quarter for which he has paid the box must be declared vacant and the mail placed in the general delivery.

Mrs. Huebsch and daughter Babe, of Marceline, came Friday to spend the holidays.

Miss Nettie Mudd went to Hannibal Tuesday to spend several days with friends.

Roy B. Meriwether was in St. Louis the first of the week on professional business.

Miss Alma VanMarter was the guest of friends at Lakenan Monday night and Tuesday.

E. W. Schweer and family and W. H. Elliott spent the Christmas holidays in Windsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Havener and little son went to Quincy Friday for several days visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Paulsen, of Nebraska, came Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Huebsch and other relatives.

Mrs. Alonzo True and Mrs. Nell Cannon, of St. Louis, were the guests of Misses Mae McAllister and Edith Jarman from Monday to Wednesday.

Mrs. Clara Stevens and Mrs. W. H. Nugent and little son, of Fort Worth Texas came Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Susan Simms and Mrs. Ida Simms and daughter Viola May, of Welch Oklahoma, went to Shelby Monday morning for several days visit with relatives.

Mrs. Jennie Yowell, of Quincy, who was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Hardesty several days last week went to Hannibal Friday for a short visit before returning to her home.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate of the late Dr. John R. Dawson will please call and settle same as soon as possible. Books are at the residence.—Nellie B. Dawson, Administratrix.

Mrs. Z. F. Leake went to Maywood Monday to see her mother, Mrs. Theodosia Ball who is not expected to live. Mrs. Ball had the LaGrippe about three weeks ago but was getting along nicely until Saturday when she took cold.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tooley and daughters, Ruth and Cornelia, Watson Tooley and wife, Layson Tooley and wife, and Myrtle Tooley went to Palmyra Wednesday to attend the funeral of W. T. Tooley a brother of E. M. Tooley.

Mrs. R. C. Kent was a Monroe City visitor Saturday afternoon. She was accompanied by nine boys members of Mrs. Estelle Romick's Sunday School class, who went to have their pictures taken.—Hunnewell Graphic.

Among those who attended "The Birth of a Nation at Quincy Tuesday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Graham, Misses Margaret and Cleo Patton, Ruth Wilson, Edna Boulware, Bernadette O'Daniel, Irene Lawson, Lena Bess Asbury, Will O'Daniel, S. Baldwin.

Daniel Schooling has about secured sufficient new members to organize an I. O. O. F. lodge in Clark, and he says he hopes to have the lodge installed here by January 1. Hon. James P. Boyd of Paris, speaker of the House of Representatives, is Grand Master of this lodge in Missouri and will have charge of the installation of the new order here.—Clark Chronicle.

Entertained.

Parkview, the country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Proctor was bedecked in real holiday attire for the housewarming given Tuesday night in honor of Miss Lucille Proctor and her house guests, Miss Elizabeth Hayden, of Youngstown Ohio and Miss Florence Carr, of Salem Ohio.

The entire lower floor was cleared and some thirty couples danced merrily until midnight when a delightful luncheon was served. The rooms were beautifully decorated with Christmas motifs, festoons of greenery, wreaths of holly and mistletoe and tall vases of red carnations.

Miss Proctor and the guests of honor formed an informal receiving line. Miss Hayden wore an exquisite taffeta frock trimmed with gold lace, with pannier effect. Miss Carr was charmingly gowned in white charmeuse and lace, with which she wore gold slippers.

Just before refreshments were served Miss Bertha Jaeger and Miss Lucille Proctor sang several beautiful selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson and Mrs. Alma Vaughn chaperoned the party. The out of town guests besides the honorees were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Henderson, of Shelby, and Mr. Harold Baker, of Palmyra. ***

Her Own Idea.

A certain little girl was discovered by her mother in a spirited encounter with a small friend, who had got considerably worsted in the engagement.

"Don't you know, dear," said the mother, "that it is very wicked to behave so? It was Satan that put into your head to pull Elsie's hair."

"Well, perhaps it was," the child admitted, "but kicking her shins was entirely my own idea."—Ex.

Stag Party

W. S. Woodson delightfully entertained about thirty gentlemen at his beautiful home on North Border Street Monday evening.

The house was tastefully decorated with Christmas decorations.

Cards were the entertainment of the evening.

A delicious two course luncheon was served.

New Years Day.

Sunday hours will be observed at the Post Office New Years day. The general delivery will be open from 11:45 a. m. to 12:45 p. m. Those who have lock boxes are able to get their mail at any time. The Rural Carriers will not make their trips Saturday.

Wanted A Buyer.

Will sell my entire stock of Dry Goods at a discount for Cash, or will take part payment in trade.

J. B. Anderson.

Tax Notice.

All City taxes not paid by Jan. 10, 1916, penalty will be charged.

J. E. Johnson,

1-6 Collector.

Miss Peyton, of Martinsburg has been visiting her brother, I. W. Peyton.

After Christmas comes settling up time.

Phone your order for cut flowers to Mrs. W. H. Wilson. All orders promptly filled.

At Rest.

Matilda Gose, daughter of Eli and Mary Gose was born near Old Clinton, in Monroe County, Oct. 16, 1837 and died at her home in this city yesterday morning at 7:30 aged 78 years, 2 months and 16 days, after a year of patient suffering.

In early womanhood she married John Richard Harrison and they made their home in Shelby. To this union six children were born. Of these only one, Jas. W., is living. Mr. Harrison died about 38 years ago. Thirteen years later she married F. M. Wilson of this city and for 25 years has lived in the home which she quietly left when she went to meet her God.

Mrs. Wilson was converted when 16 years of age and united with the Methodist church at Greenwood and has ever lived a consistent christian life. She was a devoted wife, a fond mother, a kind neighbor and a true friend.

The funeral services will be held in the Methodist Church at three o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Thompson Penn officiating and she will be buried in St. Jude's cemetery.

The Goat of Jewels.

When it comes to superstitions, I guess there isn't much difference between emperors and commuters," said the manager of one of the loop's largest jewelry stores recently. The manager held in his hand a story from Paris that the emperor of Austria is seeking to banish the "Hapsburg hoodoo" by selling the famous opal, the costliest of the crown jewels.

"That's not at all surprising," said the manager. "The opal is the jewel goat. If a man has any misfortune, if his wife deserts him, or his business fails, or his stomach goes back on him, the first thing he thinks of if he owns an opal is the old legend that opals bring bad luck."

"Do you know," smiled the manager, "we don't keep opals in stock. Not one. No calls for them. It's a rarity in the jewelry business to have some one inquire for an opal. Occasionally we get opals for some of our regular patrons, but it is rare that a chance customer comes in and asks to see one."

"Before the scientific facts concerning the opal were known it was believed that devils lived in its purple and red fire. An opal will burst if heated or cooled too much. The fluctuations of temperature produce a changing color in the opal, due, as it is now known, to the movement of the water in it."

"All these phenomena were believed to be supernatural and the opal from the earliest time was declared to be an omen of bad luck. It was supposed to foretell things once and in a later age it was supposed to possess the power of pursuing its owner with an evil fate."

"The superstition, like scores of other queer beliefs, have survived. To this day people believe that opals bring bad luck. It isn't very strange to hear that an emperor is trying to get rid of his. Something brings bad luck and it might as well be opals"—Chicago News.

The Rebekah Social Circle will meet with Mrs. W. L. Green Saturday afternoon.

For fresh flowers for weddings, funerals and all occasions place your order with Mrs. W. H. Wilson.